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In re Application of: Ohms et al.

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For: Method And Apparatus For Filling Cartridges With a Liquid

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith references which they believe may be material to the patentability of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

While the references may be "material" under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the references are "prior art" unless specifically designated as such.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that no material references other than those listed exist or that a search has been conducted.

The references are listed in Form PTO-1449 which is in accordance with the requirements of M.P.E.P. 609. **Copies of all references were either submitted to, or cited by, the Patent Office in parent application USSN 10/323,365 filed on December 19, 2002.**

The references are as follows:

1. US Patent No. 4,187,890
2. US Patent No. 5,819,816
3. EP 0 307 490

4. EP 0 853 041
5. EP 1 236 644
6. WO 97/29954
7. US Patent No. 5,742,308
8. US Patent No. 3,452,208
9. US Patent No. 3,094,213
10. US Patent No. 4,423,628
11. US Patent No. 4,880,039
12. US Patent No. 4,733,095

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application and be made of record therein. The Examiner is also invited to contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this paper or the attached references.

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed **within** three months of the filing date of a national application or date of entry into the national stage of an international application or **before** the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, or **before** the mailing date of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination. Therefore, no fee is due. However, please charge any fees should they be required, to Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Deposit Account No. 14-1447.

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